

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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January 26, 2011

TO:

Dr. Jonathan Fielding

Director of Public Health

FROM:

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Executive Offide

SUBJECT:

ALLEGATIONS OF NONCOMPLIANCE TO CEASE AND DESIST

ORDER GIVEN BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

At the Board of Supervisors' meeting held January 25, 2011, during the Public Comment portion of the meeting, Brian Chase and Whitney Engeran addressed the Board regarding Adult Industry Medical Healthcare Foundation's (AIM) alleged noncompliance to a cease and desist order served by Los Angeles County's Department of Public Health. During the discussion, Supervisor Antonovich requested you to review the comments made by Mr. Chase and Mr. Engeran and report back to the Board, with a copy to Mr. Engeran.

Enclosed are "Request to Address the Board" forms filled out by Mr. Chase and Mr. Engeran and a copy of the transcript to assist you in preparing your report.

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Enclosures

c: Each Supervisor

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PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

GLORIA MOLINA
MARK RIBLEY, THOMAS
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Wednesday, January 26, 2011

Agenda N Comment	umber: Public			
	First	MI Last		Position
Name	whitney	j engeran		Public Comment
Address	6255 w sunset blvd 21	st fl	Phone	(213) 405-5822
City	los angeles	State CA Zip 90028		
Name of 0	Organization Represen	ted (if applicable)		
	AIDS Healthcare Foun	dation		
Please Pr	ovide A Brief Descripti	on Of Your Position On This	Matter	
		us to curb unsafe porn in la cour rformers continues with AIM clo		status of county efforts



- 1 DOING FURTHER WORK ON THESE PROJECTS. ALSO, IT'S VERY HARD FOR
- 2 EMPLOYEES TO FIND WORK OR KEEP STUDY WORK IN THIS CURRENT
- 3 ECONOMY UNDER THIS REQUIREMENT. WE WOULD BE FORCED TO LET OUR
- 4 EMPLOYEES GO, TO HIRE UNION REPS THAT WOULD NOT BENEFIT ANYONE
- 5 OTHER THAN THE UNIONS. OUR RENT WORKFORCE HAS FAMILIES TO TAKE
- 6 CARE OF AND DO NOT NEED TO BE TOLD THEY CAN'T WORK DUE TO
- 7 UNION REQUIREMENTS AND ALL THIS WOULD BE NEGATIVE FOR THE
- 8 PRIVATE SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTORS. THANK YOU. OKAY. LET ME
- 9 CALL UP ALSO LEON JENKINS AND LESLIE. YES, SIR.

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- 11 SPEAKER: MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS WHITNEY.
- 12 I'M SENIOR DIRECTOR FOR PUBLIC HEALTH FOR AIDS HEALTHCARE
- 13 FOUNDATION AND MY COLLEAGUE HAS ALREADY SPOKEN TO THE ISSUE,
- 14 BUT I WANTED TO ADD TWO COMMENTS VERY QUICKLY. WE'RE HERE
- 15 TODAY TO ACTUALLY EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO YOU AND THE
- 16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR ISSUING THE CEASE AND DESIST
- 17 ORDER THAT STOPPED THE ADULT INDUSTRY MEDICAL HEALTHCARE
- 18 FOUNDATION'S FACILITY FROM OPERATING ILLEGALLY. I NEED TO TELL
- 19 YOU, THOUGH, THAT ANECDOTALLY WE HAVE FOUND EVIDENCE THAT THEY
- 20 ARE STILL IN OPERATION IN DEFIANCE OF THAT CEASE AND DESIST
- 21 ORDER AND THAT WE BELIEVE THAT THEY ARE STILL OPERATING IN
- 22 SOME FORM OR FASHION AND WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK THE DEPARTMENT
- 23 OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO GET INFORMATION WITH REGARDS TO WHETHER
- 24 THEY'RE DOING THAT IN DEFIANCE OF THE ORDER. WE'RE REALLY VERY
- 25 PLEASED THAT THE COUNTY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS

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- I ENGAGING IN THIS ISSUE MORE AGGRESSIVELY. AND SEVERAL MONTHS
- 2 AGO, YOU HAD RECEIVED A REPORT FROM THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT
- 3 OF PUBLIC HEALTH WITH REGARDS TO THIS ISSUE. CIRCUMSTANCES
- 4 HAVE CHANGED. THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF MOVEMENT ON THIS ISSUE.
- 5 AND WE'D RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU ASK FOR A REPORT BACK
- 6 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON THIS ISSUE AGAIN
- 7 BECAUSE THINGS HAVE CHANGED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COULD YOU
- 8 ASK THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD? AND
- 9 SEND A COPY TO THE GENTLEMAN? THANK YOU.

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- 11 SPEAKER: THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP HENRY HUERTA AND MICHAEL
- 12 GUARDLY SR. YES, SIR. YES, SIR. OKAY.

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- 14 SPEAKER: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LESLIE I'M THE EXECUTIVE
- 15 DIRECTOR OF THE JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE. I'VE COME HERE. I'M
- 16 GOING TO RED MY STATEMENT TO YOU. OKAY.

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- 18 SPEAKER: TO SAVE A LITTLE TIME. I'M HERE TODAY WITH WHAT'S
- 19 LEFT HERE OF MY SISTERS AND BROTHERS FROM THE COALITION FOR A
- 20 SAFE AND HEALTHY LOS ANGELES. WE ARE A COALITION OF COMMUNITY
- 21 ORGANIZATIONS AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT IS CONCERNED ABOUT
- 22 THE COUNTY'S LOW STANDARDS FOR CONTRACTED SERVICES. LAST
- 23 THURSDAY, WE HOSTED A COMMUNITY FORUM AND RELEASED A REPORT
- 24 THAT INCLUDED THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY OF NEARLY 600 CONTRACTED
- 25 WORKERS WHO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE COUNTY. AND WE ARE

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	First	MI Last		Position
Name	Brian	Chase		Public Comment
Address	6255 W. Sunset B	255 W. Sunset Blvd. 21st Fl.		(323) 860-5233
City	Los Angeles	State CA Zip 90028]	
Name of 0	Organization Repre	sented (if applicable)		
	AIDS Healthcare F	oundation		
Please Pr	ovide A Brief Desc	ription Of Your Position On This N	latter	
	Worker protection	in the adult film industry.		-Vinana



- 1 OFFICE. AND YOUR ONLY OTHER CONDUIT IS TO TALK TO THE
- 2 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'M JUST TELLING
- 3 YOU.

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5 SPEAKER: CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING? (YELLING).

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- 7 SPEAKER: IF SOMEBODY ROBS A BANK, YOU YOU DON'T GO TO THE BANK
- 8 ROBBER AND NEGOTIATE. LET ME ASK IF YOU STEP OVER TO THE SIDE,
- 9 ANTONIO JIMINEZ FROM THE DEPARTMENT, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR WILL
- 10 SPEAK TO YOU OVER ON THE SIDE.

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- 12 SPEAKER: YEAH, SEE WE'VE TALKED TO A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM THE
- 13 DEPARTMENT, DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS. WE NEED TO TALK TO A COUNTY
- 14 SUPERVISOR SINCE YOU GUYS SUPERVISOR THE COUNTY BUT YOU ALWAYS
- 15 SAY YOU HAVE NO JURISDICTION, THEN WHY ARE YOU SUPERVISORS IF
- 16 YOU DON'T HAVE JURISDICTION? WHAT DO YOU HAVE JURISDICTION
- 17 OVER? BECAUSE WE'RE NOT JUDGES, THAT'S WHY. JUDGES ARE
- 18 SEPARATELY. ELECTED SEPARATELY. DIVISION OF POWERS. MS.
- 19 JIMINEZ IS OVER HERE. SHE WILL TALK TO YOU. SHE IS THE INTERIM
- 20 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU. MARY O'CONNER, WALTER
- 21 BECK TELL, JACKIE NUTTING. YES, SIR.

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- 23 SPEAKER: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE MY
- 24 NAME IS BRIAN CHASE. I'M ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE AHF.
- 25 WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO PROTECT FILM INDUSTRY FROM THE WELL

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- 1 DOCUMENTED EPIDEMIC DISEASES OF SEXUAL DISEASES. THE
- 2 INDUSTRY'S ATTEMPT TO SELF-REGULATE IS A FAILURE AND HAS
- 3 FALLEN APART. THE INDUSTRY WAS PROCLAIMING THAT THEY WERE
- 4 PROTECTING WORKERS BY REQUIRING REGULAR TESTING FOR SOME BUT
- 5 NOT ALL SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES THROUGH THE ADULT
- 6 INDUSTRY MEDICAL HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION, ALSO KNOWN AS AIM.
- 7 OVER 45 DAYS AGO, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF LOS
- 8 ANGELES COUNTY SHUT DOWN AIM FOR FAILING TO OPERATE WITHOUT A
- 9 PROPER CLINIC LICENSE FOR OVER A DECADE, APPARENTLY WITHOUT AN
- 10 ON-SITE PHYSICIAN AND WITHOUT THE TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS,
- 11 TRANSFER AGREEMENT IN PLACE TO CARE FOR ANY ILL PATIENTS THAT
- 12 THEY MIGHT HAVE. NOW, WITHOUT AIM IN PLACE, WE'RE ASKING THAT
- 13 THE BOARD STEP IN TO ASK THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO
- 14 FURTHER INOUIRE AS TO HOW THE INDUSTRY IS PROTECTING ITS
- 15 WORKERS IF THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY SORT OF HEALTH -- OPEN
- 16 HEALTHCARE FACILITY TO TREAT THEM. PRESIDENTS OF BOTH LARRY
- 17 FLINT PRODUCTIONS AND VIVID VIDEO, THE TWO BIGGEST PRODUCERS
- 18 OF ADULT FILMS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY STATED THEY WILL CONTINUE
- 19 TO PUT THEIR EMPLOYEES BY FAILING TO FOLLOW SAFETY REGULATION
- 20 DESIGNED TO PROTECT FROM COMMUNICABLE DISEASES. WE ASK THE
- 21 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO
- 22 PREVENT THE ON GOING PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT AND PROTECT THE
- 23 WORKERS FROM EXPLOITATION. THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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